

Midwife's Report.

May 1988 - May 1989

35 bookings.

29 home births.

Including one at ^Denrysten on the West Coast, born well and truly before the midwife's arrival (about 2 weeks!!) - but attended over the phone so it was all right. Caused a bit of a stink down there.

Two babies BBA. One in fifteen minutes after three contractions; the other not called early enough. What do other people do about people who don't want or value what we're doing but ask for it anyway. I hate being in that position - I'd rather not be involved at all. Comments?

Two fights with one G1 over two primip women - both turned out to be really at baby having. G1 basically has his head buried up his bum!

One woman a total disaster - baby in hospital at six weeks with fractured ribs, ribs and skull as well as failure to thrive from the word go.

Two previous LSCS.

One para 6.

One in Rotorua!

One 4th baby after 3rd died at 7 weeks. Very interesting - mother took ages to 'connect with baby. Experienced sore, cracked, bleeding nipples for first 2 wks; lost milk through lack of stimulation and had to use breast pump and expressed feeding. Come right about 5 weeks with lots of input and energy and showed perseverance.

Two in Golden Bay - one at Pakawau; one at Wainui inlet.

6 transfers.

3 primips. Long labours and all ended up with epidurals followed by normal - delivered by DM in Nelson hospital!

3 multiples.

One premature - 35 weeks. Normal birth - delivered by DM

One previous PPH; DM away on Coast when she went into labour and she went to hospital. Normal birth - delivered by DM

One 'stuck' baby - G2P1, 13 year gap, previous epidural and forceps; 3hrs in 2nd stage but normal birth. (Not delivered by DM!)

2 Rh negatives!

7 primips.